

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace Paragraph No. [0016] of the originally-filed specification with the following amended paragraph:

[0016] Active opener arm 78 may also be actuated in other ways. For example, an additional actuator such as a hydraulic actuator may be used in conjunction with a sensor to actuate active opener arm 78 as lift 100 approaches the fully lowered position. As another example, a ground plate may be used to actuate active opener arm 78 as lift 100 approaches the ground and the ground plate comes into contact with the ground. More than one active opener arm 78 may also be incorporated into the design of lift 100. An active opener arm 78 may also be used in conjunction with a static opener arm coupled to main frame 200. The static opener arm may push out platform ~~78~~ 43 as lift 100 begins to lower, with active opener arm 78 completing the process as the lift 100 reaches the fully lowered position.